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Local — Cloudy and moderately warm; moderate west to northwest winds.

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1940 TORY NOMINEE OR STRADDLER WOULD BE PARTY SUICIDE, SAYS F.D.R.

28 Corporations With 53 Billion In Assets Starve the United States



THE ECONOMIC ROYALISTS

(By United Press)
The roster of America's "Billion Dollar Club" and total assets for 1938 follow:

COMPANY	Assets Dec. 31, 1938
Bell Telephone System	\$5,119,062,915
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.	4,942,900,417
Prudential Life Insurance Co.	3,800,786,614
New York Life Insurance Co.	2,647,454,712
Chase National Bank	2,523,167,177
Pennsylvania Railroad	2,322,408,556
Equitable Life Assurance Co.	2,260,913,149
Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey)	2,044,635,257
National City Bank of New York	2,009,182,640
Guaranty Trust Co. (New York)	1,941,765,661
Southern Pacific Railway	1,855,149,550
New York Central Railroad	1,822,030,466
U. S. Steel Corp.	1,711,279,006
General Motors Corp.	1,598,012,229
Bank of America N.T.S.A. (including Bank of America, California)	1,574,721,670
Mutual Life Insurance Co. (N. Y.)	1,399,427,496
Continental Illinois Bank & Trust	1,386,357,123
Consolidated Edison	1,358,558,488
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway	1,297,744,922
Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Milwaukee	1,233,101,693
Commonwealth & Southern Corp.	1,213,866,439
Union Pacific Railroad	1,210,357,821
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad	1,203,638,181
Cities Service Co.	1,080,968,703
Bankers Trust Co.	1,043,469,941
Associated Gas & Electric Co.	1,041,938,985
Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. of N. Y.	1,042,703,017
First National Bank of Chicago	1,006,684,778
TOTAL ASSETS	\$53,691,387,412

THE BILLION DOLLAR BOYS

An Editorial

The Billion-Dollar Boys—look them over!

These are the corporations who were behind the Tory coalition of Hooverites and Garnercrats which knifed the President's recovery program.

Richer than ever, they got their stooges in Congress to repeal the surplus profits tax.

Possessing more than one-sixth of the total national wealth of the country, they wrecked the WPA and handed out the Pink Slips to desperate and hungry men and women. They buried the job-lending program and scuttled the housing bill.

Side-kicks of the Berlin-Rome-Tokio axis, they stopped the President's effort to repeal the arms embargo and help insure world peace.

The Billion-Dollar Boys—how did they get that way?

By robbing the worker. By squeezing out the little business man. By cheating the farmer. By making the consumer pay sky-high monopoly prices. By throwing workers into the streets and making each remaining employee do the work that two had done before.

The very methods used to amass this tremendous wealth knocked the bottom out of the people's purchasing power and created the economic crisis.

These Billion-Dollar Club members are the Pink Slip Artists. Theirs is the responsibility to provide jobs for the millions of unemployed. They have the factories and the idle dollars to do it with. If they continue their sit-down strike, the federal government must intervene and furnish the needed jobs.

The Billion-Dollar Boys must not be allowed to ruin the American people, and degrade the nation.

Danzig Nazi Chief Hurls War Threat At Poland

Axis Chiefs to Confer in Salzburg on War Plan

DANZIG, Aug. 10.—Splitting war threats against neighboring Poland, Danzig Nazi "Gauleiter" Albert Foerster tonight predicted that anschluss of the Free City to the Reich is approaching and proclaimed, "We will carry out every order that Hitler gives us."

Foerster's war-mongering speech was answered by a crowd assembled by stormtroopers on Lange Markt Square with shouts of "Heil Hitler!" and "To the Reich!"

The Nazi "Gauleiter" or district leader was back in the Free City, whose economic existence is vitally connected to Poland, after two days of consultation with Hitler at the latter's Berchtesgaden retreat.

Foerster, following orders from Berlin, turned his oratorical guns on Great Britain and France, which have pledged themselves to aid Poland against aggression.

The Nazi "Gauleiter" or district leader of Danzig, Albert Foerster, will speak this evening at a mass meeting at Danzig.

"As is known, he was at Berchtesgaden yesterday, where he saw Adolf Hitler.

"We hope that Herr Foerster in his speech will bear in mind the words Marshal Smigly-Rydz uttered at Gracow. These words were:

"There is no power which can convince us that the word peace for some means take and for others give."

Under the Italo-German military alliance the Berlin and Rome governments agreed to consult in advance on any problems which might involve the two nations in war against a common enemy.

Ciano left Rome at 7:17 P. M. for Salzburg by way of Munich, indicating that he would meet Ribbentrop there soon.

The official announcement of the Ribbentrop-Ciano meeting said it would occur "within a few days" but other authoritative sources indicated it would be held Friday. In Rome the informed *Giornale D'Italia* said the foreign ministers would meet Friday.

French, British Army Missions In Leningrad

(By Carl to the Daily Worker)

LENINGRAD, Aug. 10.—The French and British military missions, en route to Moscow for staff talks arrived here today.

The members were welcomed by Brig. Gen. Chibisov, chief of the general staff of the Leningrad district, and others.

The missions will leave for Moscow tonight after a sight-seeing tour of the city.

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A.F.L. Unions Ready for Big Labor Parade

Final preparations for the giant American Federation of Labor parade along Fifth Ave. tomorrow were being completed last night.

The parade, to be headed by Mayor LaGuardia and William Green, president of the AFL, will open the 76th annual convention of the State Federation of Labor.

An estimated 150,000 AFL unionists will march up Fifth Ave. from 15th St. to 55th St. accompanied by hundreds of bands and floats.

Leading public officials will watch the parade from a reviewing stand at the 42nd St. public library.

The convention, which opens in the Hotel Commodore on Tuesday, will be preceded by New York Federation of Labor Day at the World's Fair on Monday.

On Sunday, the fourth annual convention of the Union Label Trades Department of the State of New York will be held at the hotel.

Mayor LaGuardia, Senator Wagner, Industrial Commissioner Miller and Federal Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews will be among the many public figures who will address the State Federation of Labor convention.

Somewhat Warmer Today's Forecast

Clear and dry weather yesterday will prevail again today. The Weather Bureau promised, but the temperature will rise moderately.

In contrast with Wednesday's high humidity and 90-degree heat, yesterday was dry and cooler.

But the council held to its decision to keep reporters out and deny



SEN. CLAUDE PEPPER

Tells Young Democrats To Cherish Liberalism

Says He Will Have No Part in Betrayal of Democracy's Aims

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 10 (UP).—President Roosevelt warned in a message to the Young Democrats' National Convention tonight that if the Democratic Party in 1940 nominates conservative or "lip-service" candidates on a straddle-bug platform, he will find it "impossible to have any active part in such an unfortunate suicide of the old Democratic Party."

Ten thousand delegates jammed into Duquesne Gardens for the opening convention sessions listened attentively to the reading of a letter written by Mr. Roosevelt to Pitt Tyson Maner, Montgomery, Ala., national president of the Young Democrats.

"If we nominate conservative candidates or lip-service candidates on a straddle-bug platform," Mr. Roosevelt's letter read, "I personally for my own self-respect and because of my long service to, and belief in, liberal democracy, will find it impossible to have any active part in such an unfortunate suicide of the old Democratic Party."

By Lloyd Brown
(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 10.—"A third term for Roosevelt's ideas—that is the keynote of this convention," declared Senator Claude Pepper of Florida in a fighting New Deal message opening the National Convention of the Young Democrats Club at Duquesne Garden here tonight.

"We do not anticipate that any such event will take place, for I believe that the convention will see the political wisdom as well as the national wisdom, of giving to the voters of the United States, an opportunity to maintain the practice and policy of moving forward with a liberal and humanitarian program."

In a slashing attack against the nationalistic Republicans and "tweedle-dum Democrats" Senator Pepper called upon the assembled delegates to maintain and extend the New Deal in America.

"I am glad to be here so I can call some names. I am here to nominate no one for President. I am here to name those who think they will name the next President," Pepper declared in opening his keynote address.

"I say that the king makers of Wall Street want to name the next President as they have often in the past."

NAMES OWEN YOUNG

"Owen D. Young, chairman of the board of General Electric, one of the Morgan group in Wall Street, speaking in Boston last week, said: 'I know who the next President is going to be but I won't tell.'

"In this careless or boasting remark one of the anointed of the financial oligarchy of the money district was telling tales out of school. He let it out that the Wall Street crowd has already picked their man."

Pepper predicted that the Republican choice would be Governor Bricker to Ohio for President and Thomas Dewey of New York for Vice-President because "they like Bricker because he talks liberal and acts like Hoover. They picked Dewey."

The nation slips backwards,

"sometimes a few feet and often many miles," when a Democratic administration is followed by a

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PROTEST TERROR IN SPAIN AT FRANCO CONSULATE TODAY

Nation Places Order for 2,000 Defense Planes

Largest Single Purchase of Air Weapons in U. S. History Expected to Total \$100,000,000; FDR Signs Bill Providing More Funds

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (UP).—The army's giant air expansion program got under full swing today when the war department awarded contracts for an estimated 1,500 to 2,500 combat planes at an eventual cost of more than \$100,000,000.

The new awards—largest single air armaments order in American history— together with previous contracts of \$54,000,000, represent the major portion of the program to raise army air corps strength to 5,500 first-line planes by July 1, 1941. A total of \$170,000,000 has been allotted for the purpose.

Planes included in the new order range from "flying fortress" bombers to primary training craft. The exact number was not disclosed, in keeping with army secret precautions, but estimates placed the total between the 1,500 and 2,000 figures.

MORE FUNDS AVAILABLE

Although the order overshadowed other developments in the nation's rearmament program, of considerable importance was the signing by President Roosevelt of the third deficiency appropriation bill which contains more than \$44,500,000 in defense funds. The measure was signed at Hyde Park, N. Y.

The two events, together with the formation yesterday of the first U. S. war industries board since the World War, emphasized the speed at which the administration is pushing plans for defense of the Western Hemisphere and American possessions in a war-threatened world.

The deficiency act signed by the President included the following funds:

\$2,070,000 for naval public works.

\$6,000,000 for naval armament and ammunition.

\$4,000,000 to finance the training of some 10,000 civilian pilots by the Civil Aeronautics Authority in connection with the air expansion program.

\$10,000,000 for the acquisition and storage of strategic raw war materials generally obtained from foreign sources which might be inaccessible in time of war.

\$8,451,300 for expansion of military posts and flying field construction.

\$1,500,000 for construction of a military highway with the Republic of Panama along the Canal Zone.

\$2,000,000 cash and contract authorization for \$8,100,000 for a new aeronautical research station as recommended by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh. Sunnyvale, Calif., is under consideration as a likely site, but no decision has been made.

Ekins, U. P. Head, Told to Leave Rome in 24 Hours

ROME, July 10 (UP).—H. R. Ekins, manager of the Rome bureau of the United Press and widely known war correspondent, was ordered by police today to leave Italy by 1 P.M. tomorrow. Police also locked the Rome offices of the United Press and barred all members of the staff from entering.

The action was the most drastic ever taken against a foreign news organization in Italy. The order for Ekins' expulsion was understood to have been issued by Mussolini himself and was believed to have been caused by reports carried by the United Press from London earlier this week that the fascist dictator had suffered a heart attack, although no reason for the order was given officially.

The London reports of Mussolini's illness were credited to private sources in England. The United Press queried its Rome bureau about these reports and carried stories from Rome saying that Mussolini appeared to be in good health.

American Ambassador William Phillips tonight made inquiries of the Italian Foreign Office concerning the expulsion order.

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accessible to man in the rocky mountain terrain, and brings the animal it has seized to the hunter. The photo shows (top): a trained eagle with its prey, and (below): the eagle brings its prey to the hunter and rests peacefully on his knee.

Franco Stages Mimic Siege of Gibraltar

Fascists Move Guns and Machine Gun Emplacements Opposite Britain's 'Rock' to Lend Note of Realism to Defense Moves

GIBRALTAR, Aug. 10 (UP).—More than 75,000 Spanish fascist troops today took advantage of Gibraltar's three-day air raid exercises and complete "blackout" to stage sham attacks against the land side of the fortified British base.

The Franco troops, carrying their war games into the night, used tanks, field guns and

motorized equipment to convert the strip of neutral ground between Spain and Gibraltar into a mimic battle-ground.

In recent weeks the Franco press has spoken of an impending "early settlement" of Spain's claims to Gibraltar.

Franco sappers constructed a third line of trenches in the neutral zone, only a few yards from the frontier.

Many gun emplacements and machine gun "pillboxes" have been built by the Franco troops on the road between La Linea and San Roque, the nearest Spanish towns to Gibraltar on the north. The approaches to La Linea and San Roque were heavily guarded.

General Enrique Saliquet, Franco commander-in-chief of the southern zone, who recently replaced Gen. Gonzalo Queipo de Llano, toured the defense works Wednesday.

It was reported that at least four heavy artillery batteries are stationed on the coast around Algeciras, directly across the bay from Gibraltar. Several large guns were placed on Punta Cerner Point, dominating the Straits of Gibraltar, while other long-range batteries were mounted at Ceuta, in Spanish Morocco, within easy range of the British base.

There have been many reports during the past year that the heavy artillery placements were installed by German Nazi engineers. These reports have told of German howitzers placed in strategic positions circling Gibraltar on the land side.

British military officials were informed two days ago that Spanish Falangists (fascists) were digging trenches on neutral ground within 20 yards of the Anglo-Spanish frontier in violation of the English-Spanish treaty.

Under the treaty, neither country is permitted to establish military works within the neutral strip.

Gibraltar's extensive air raids tests, coinciding with Britain's widespread blackouts, began Wednesday night and for the first time embraced territorial anti-aircraft units,

Peace League Calls Rally At 4:30 Today

Demonstration to be held at 515 Madison Ave. This Afternoon

Thousands of delegates from more than 60 trade unions, fraternal and civic organizations today will protest against the mass executions of thousands of prisoners by the Franco regime in Spain.

Called by the American League for Peace and Democracy, the protest will take the form of a mass demonstration at the Spanish Consulate, 515 Madison Ave., at 4:30 this afternoon.

A committee consisting of the Rev. Amos Horlacher; Rabbi Michael Alper; Ned Pope, Negro leader; Miguel Garriga, International vice-president of Restaurant Workers of the A. F. of L.; Helena Reid Bryan, executive secretary of the New York City Division of the American League for Peace and Democracy; and Carl Geiser, executive secretary of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, will call upon the Spanish Consulate bearing a written protest against the killing of prisoners by Franco's troops and the garroting of many Republicans.

The committee will also address the crowd, at the close of the demonstration this evening.

The protest demonstration was called, Miss Bryan said because hundreds of members of the American League and its affiliated organizations had written to her asking that some demonstration of Americans' disgust with the treatment of Loyalist prisoners should be shown.

Diplomatic Pouch Misuse by French Was No Secret

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (UP).—The State Department has been aware since March that there has been some misuse of the French diplomatic pouch, Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles said today.

Commenting on the alleged smuggling of French travel films into the United States, Welles said that the French Ambassador had advised the department on his own initiative last spring of irregularities in use of the pouch, and said that disciplinary action would be taken in France.

Plane Plunges In Ocean; 2 Fliers Lost

HYANNIS, Mass., Aug. 10 (UP).—A small, private airplane believed to be carrying two civilian flyers plunged 2,000 feet into the ocean off Craigville Beach late today within sight of thousands of bathers.

The plane was believed to be a small "Taylorcraft" which had taken off from the Hyannis Airport only a few minutes before the accident. Its occupants were identified tentatively as Frank Carlson, 35, garage foreman and his assistant, Richard Klimm, 20, both of Hyannis.

The plane sank almost immediately after crashing about a mile off shore.

French Smuggler Fooled Officials

PARIS, Aug. 10 (UP).—French officials said today that Andre de la Varre, a commercial photographer indicted in the United States for smuggling French movie films into America in French diplomatic pouches, had deceived French authorities.

Originally, they said, he was refused permission to ship films in a diplomatic pouch, but later their good faith was imposed upon when de la Varre described the films as non-commercial documentary films. They added that he was an American citizen.

Molotov Greets Members Of Sofia Parliament

MOSCOW, Aug. 10.—V. M. Molotov, chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R., today received the delegation of 20 Bulgarian Parliament members at a reception in the Kremlin.

British Reserve Soldiers Strike; Ask Better Pay

LONDON, Aug. 10 (UP).—Five hundred army reservists, called for duty as instructors, today went on a sit-down strike at Yeovil, down in Somersetshire, demanding:

1. Payment of a \$25 bonus.
2. Better food.
3. Arrangements for compensation for loss of civilian jobs.
4. Payment for damage to their civilian clothes during recent rains and consequent muddy conditions.

Regulars replaced the strikers pending negotiations.

Action in War Games



CAMERA CATCHES SOME ACTION in the United States war games at Manassas, Va. The photo shows field artillerists firing a field gun in defense practice on Signal Hill, a famous Civil War battleground.

ARMY TRUCKS MOVE IN WAR GAMES AREA

Units From New York, Pa., and New England Move on Plattsburgh for Defense Maneuvers Starting on Sunday

At midnight tomorrow the highways leading to Plattsburgh, N. Y., will take on the added load of the largest military motor truck movement in this country at any time, as the main movement to Plattsburgh, N. Y., for the first army maneuver gets under way.

Trucks in groups of five to 50 will cross over the main roads leading in from New York, New Jersey, and the New England states. The movement will be completed by Tuesday, August 15. Special arrangements with state and city police for the handling of the extra traffic are being made, it was announced today by Lieut. General Hugh A. Drum, commander of the First Army.

All roads converging at Rouses Point, N. Y., Burlington, Vt., from the East and on Glens Falls, Hudson Falls, Kingston and Albany will be heavy military traffic until late afternoon both Sunday and Monday, August 13 and 14.

HOW TRAFFIC MOVES

Highway U. S. No. 2, West of Montpelier, will carry the heaviest load from New England and this traffic will move during the three days of Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, August 13, 14 and 15.

U. S. highway 9, from New York North to Plattsburgh and South from Rouses Point will be loaded all day Sunday and Monday.

All types of vehicles from motorcycles to five-ton trucks towing heavy gun loads will be in the rolling columns. Many of the trucks will climb hills slowly. Civilian traffic will make better time on parallel roads. The military traffic will ease after 4:00 P.M., as the troops go into bivouac for the night. Delayed loads will be on the roads, however, at hours that cannot be predicted.

The transport which will take the road Sunday will be exclusively National Guard troops. The Regular Army units will participate in the maneuvers cleared the roads Saturday and are now in their base camps.

Carrying out principles developed in France during the World War, large army motor truck movements are controlled by march tables or schedules made up by staff officers of units and coordinated through a central authority.

The trucks are grouped in serials like railroad cars in trains and each is controlled at key points by time of arrival and departure as a railroad dispatcher controls trains.

When many convoys are to march to a central area as in a mobilization to concentrate forces or for a battle, working up the tables accurately so as to avoid confusion and conflict at battle necks requires experience. In peace, staff schools and maneuvers provide the experience.

Yugoslavs Vow To Keep Nazis Off Their Soil

Will Preserve 'Absolute Neutrality' Protecting Frontiers

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Aug. 10 (UP).—Yugoslavia has determined to reaffirm its policy of unconditional neutrality in any war and to protect its frontiers by force if necessary against any attempt to violate its neutrality, well informed sources said today.

Premier Dragisa Cvetkovich, who leaves today for a three-day visit to Rome, was said by informants to be making his trip to inform the Italian government of this determination.

The Premier was expected, in his talks at Rome, to deal among other things with the question of a double tracked railroad, which extends for about 20 miles across the northwest tip of Yugoslavia on its way from Vienna to Trieste, Italy.

WANT TRANSPORT RIGHTS

In event of war Germany and Italy were expected to demand free use of the line to transport troops and materials, as a gesture of "benevolent neutrality" by Yugoslavia.

Premier Cvetkovich was expected to inform the Italian government that Yugoslavia considered that such use of the railroad was incompatible with its neutrality and that it was determined to protect its frontiers, by force if necessary.

Well-informed sources said that relations between Yugoslavia and the axis powers had cooled noticeably in the last two months. The axis powers, it was asserted, had repeatedly expressed concern lest Yugoslavia give up her neutrality.

(Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, recently returned from an extended visit to London. It was reported at the time that Great Britain considered offering "token" credits to Yugoslavia and Bulgaria as an intimation that big credits would follow if they threw their lot in with the Anglo-French bloc.)

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Home Relief At All-Time High in State

Those Fired Face Forced Labor Under 'Work or Starve' Bill

(Special to the Daily Worker)
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 10.—An estimated 54,000 WPA workers in Pennsylvania will be dismissed before September 1 according to instructions issued by State Administrator Philip Mathews.

This mass discharge has been ordered under the provisions of the Woodrum Bill requiring that all project workers who have held jobs for 18 months or more be dropped from the payroll.

Simultaneously it was announced that relief rolls in the state have reached a four-year high, costing at present \$2,000,000 a week. With the addition last week of more than 2,000 new relief cases added to the rolls, the total number of persons now dependent on direct relief has reached the staggering figure of 798,000, one-eighth of the entire population.

This figure does not include those persons receiving other forms of relief payments such as mothers' assistance, or aid to the blind and aged.

'WORK OR STARVE' BILL

Pennsylvania now has 137,403 WPA workers. The quota for September will be reduced to 129,000. This figure represents an actual reduction of more than 60 per cent in work-relief employment since last year at this time.

The system of forced-labor for relief recipients, which Tory Republican Governor Arthur H. James proudly calls the state's "little WPA" was begun yesterday. Under the provisions of the Pierson Bill enacted by the recent Republican-controlled session of the state legislature all able-bodied persons receiving direct relief are required to work for their relief checks.

CUT ROLLS IN HALF

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 10 (UP).—WPA headquarters announced today that dismissal notices will be mailed next week to 3,500 WPA workers in Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties, leaving about 4,000 on the rolls in the three-county district.

Beauticians Picket Chain for Breaking Pact

Picketing of three shops operated by the National Beauty Parlors, Inc., large chain with stores in Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey, was begun yesterday in protest against the firm's violating an agreement reached with the Beauty Culturists Union, CIO.

The union charged that a contract covering the largest store in the chain, at 1800 Broadway, was violated when the management refused to arbitrate disputes. The firm also fired active union members, it was charged.

Picket lines have been established at 1500 Broadway, Lexington Ave. and 58th St. and Broadway and 72nd St.

Benjamin Levy, union organizer, also accused the management of instituting a system known as "shortages" which cuts into the workers' wages and which was abolished when the contract was signed.

Office Union Wins Rehiring of News Co. Worker

Settlement of the dispute between the Interboro News and the United Office and Professional Workers of America was announced by the union yesterday.

Lucille Beyer, office employee, discharged in August, 1937, for union activity, was ordered reinstated with back pay, by the New York State Labor Relations Board.

The Board also ordered the dissolution of the Interboro News Association as a company union. The case was later taken to Supreme Court Justice Collins who ordered enforcement of the Board's order. A cash settlement of \$825 in back pay was received by Miss Beyer.

Pickets Mass at Algonquin Hotel, Protest Stall

A mass picketing demonstration was staged in front of the Hotel Algonquin, 59 W 44th St., Wednesday at 5 P.M. when 200 workers marched before the hotel in protest against the management's refusal to sign an agreement with the Hotel Trades Council, A.F.C.

The picketing is part of the union's action against a group of 40 hotels which have stalled on reaching an agreement.

Derailed Freight Cars Smash R.R. Station

YPSILANTI, Mich., Aug. 10 (UP).—A freight train, dragging four derailed cars for nearly a mile, demolished the Michigan Central railroad station early today and blocked the main Detroit-Chicago line.

Ready for Arctic Trip with Byrd



DR. PAUL SIPLE, who accompanied Admiral Richard E. Byrd on a former expedition to the Antarctic as a Boy Scout, examines the trail tent he will use during the Antarctic expedition this Fall. Entrance to tent can be sealed as a guard against wind.

Doctors Debate on Knife For 'Outside Heart' Baby

Medicos Conference to Decide Whether or Not to Operate on Manila Child; Heart Is Placed Under Celluloid Cover

MANILA, Aug. 10 (UP).—A movie film in the interests of medical science was taken today of the heart of four-day-old Maria Corazon Rafael as it lay pulsating on her chest beneath a transparent celluloid cover. The glass cover used since her birth was substituted temporarily so that a better film would result.

Dr. Guillermo Del Castillo, who delivered the child, announced a plan to call a conference of leading Philippine specialists to determine whether an operation is feasible to place the heart inside the chest cavity. He said he would be governed by the decision of the consultants.

Some doctors believed Maria might live until a successful technique for the unprecedented operation could be evolved; others suggested an immediate "life or death" operation. The baby already has lived longer than any other born with its heart outside its body.

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Police Chief Wilbur D. Atkins said Heidelberg shot himself while he was alone at his home. He was rushed to Baton Rouge General Hospital where his condition was reported as grave.

Atkins gave no reason for the shooting.

Heidelberg never had been connected with the scandals sweeping the university, although his department had come under investigation as had all offices of the school.

U. S. District Attorney Rene A. Vlosak in New Orleans and WPA Investigator Paul Hansen said Heidelberg had never been questioned and had never appeared before a Federal grand jury.

Neither had he been summoned before the East Baton Rouge parish grand jury here. But Mrs. Heidelberg, private secretary to Dr. Smith, former L.S.U. president under 41 indictments and charges, had been questioned by the parish grand jury in two sessions.

It was she who said that she refused to type the minutes of L.S.U. board meetings which Dr. Smith had taken because they were altered. It was believed that her testimony was largely instrumental in several indictments returned against the resigned educator.

The meeting has been summoned by the CIO and AFL locals and will be addressed by William J. Carney, regional director of the CIO, George Knapp, of District 50, UMWA, and Neil Brandt, representing Labor's Non-Partisan League.

Attempt to Raise Sub May Come Saturday

LONDON, Ont., Aug. 10 (UP).—A posse of 200 farmers searched the dense bushland of Stephen Township today for 60-year-old John Jardine, accused of criminally assaulting the young bride of a farmer.

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Hunt Man, 60, for Assault in Canada

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Mayor Asked to Mediate Drug Dispute Here

Employees of 67 Liggett Stores Authorize Strike Action

CIO drug store workers yesterday appealed to Mayor LaGuardia to intervene in their dispute with the 67-store chain of Liggett's in this area, in order that a strike will not have to be resorted to by the union.

The 67 Liggett stores involved in the controversy are located in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx and Long Island.

A meeting of 450 employees of the chain recently authorized the Retail Drug Store Employees Union to call a strike should the company persist in its refusal to grant the workers' demands.

Also urged by the union to step into the dispute to bring about a peaceful solution was Julius Freund, executive secretary of the State Mediation Board.

The CIO organization was chosen as sole collective bargaining agent for the 800 workers in the stores in a State Labor Relations Board election held in July.

The union, accused of paying workers less than any other drug store chain in the city and far below union standards, was charged by the union of refusing to consider the minimum demands presented by the CIO organization.

Support for the union's drive to force an agreement has been pledged by the United Retail and Wholesale Employees, CIO, parent body, it was announced.

Jury Fixing Probed by La. Grand Jury

U. S. Attorney Says Quiz Will Go Into Charges of Intimidation

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 10 (UP).—A Federal Grand Jury, investigating Louisiana's political scandals, today concentrated on probing charges of income tax evasion, perjury and intimidation.

Assistant U. S. Attorney General O. John Rogge said the session would last long after customary closing hours in order to speed up work on reports of tampering with the jury which acquitted Abraham L. Shushan four years ago on charges of evading income tax on nearly \$500,000.

Shushan, a lieutenant of the late Sen. Huey P. Long, was indicted with 13 others on the same charges. Only one man was convicted, the 11 other cases being dropped.

Rogge said the perjury charge was concerned with the present Grand Jury. The intimidation charge came from a local property holder who said his assessments were doubled after he gave information against the State machine.

While the Federal Grand Jury pushed into local problems, the Cuachita Parish grand jury at the horrible cop beating of Charles Davey, an employee of the Spenser-Kellogg plant and a member of Local 50, the United Mine Workers of America.

Davey was beaten almost beyond recognition by local police when he argued with them to send an injured fellow worker to the hospital following an accident.

The meeting has been summoned by the CIO and AFL locals and will be addressed by William J. Carney, regional director of the CIO, George Knapp, of District 50, UMWA, and Neil Brandt, representing Labor's Non-Partisan League.

It was she who said that she refused to type the minutes of L.S.U. board meetings which Dr. Smith had taken because they were altered. It was believed that her testimony was largely instrumental in several indictments returned against the resigned educator.

Hunt Man, 60, for Assault in Canada

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State Forces Million-Dollar Cut in Utility Rate Up-State

ALBANY, Aug. 10 (UP).—The public service commission today announced a \$1,000,000 annual reduction in electric rates of the New York Power and Light Corp., effective as soon as revised schedules can be prepared and approved.

Chairman Milo R. Maltbie announced the reduction after negotiations with Alfred H. Schoelkopf and Floyd A. Carlisle, company officials.

The new rates will affect consumers in 16 eastern and northern New York counties.

The corporation serves cities in the counties of Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Columbia, Montgomery, Warren, Washington, Fulton, Essex, Hamilton, Schoharie, Herkimer, Madison, Oneida and Otsego.

Federal Proceedings Against Film Trusts For Monopoly Begin

U. S. Suit Against Big Theatre Chains and Distributing Firms Starts Today in Tennessee Court; Is Third Case in 4 Months

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (UP).—The Justice Department announced tonight it will institute anti-trust proceedings tomorrow against the Crescent Movie Theatre Chain operating 100 houses in Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas.

The suit, to be filed in the Middle Tennessee Federal District Court, is the third of its kind in the last four months. The earlier actions sought dissolution of the Griffith Theatre Chain operating in Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico, and the Schine Chain, operating in New York, Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland and Delaware.

The new suit will name as defendants the Crescent Amusement Company, Inc., and eight affiliated exhibitor companies, together with their officers and directors, as well as 11 so-called "distributor defendants"—motion picture distributors.

It is understood no additional actions are contemplated immediately, but officials indicated that the anti-trust division is making anti-monopoly studies in other areas.

Tomorrow's action will be brought by Thurman Arnold, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the anti-trust division, "with the approval of" Attorney General Frank Murphy.

"This proceeding," the announcement said, "is designed to break the monopoly control exercised by the Crescent Theatre organization in the exhibition of motion pictures in parts of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas."

"Distributor defendants" named in the suit are Paramount Pictures, Inc., Paramount Film Distributing Corporation, Loew's, Inc., Radio-Koer-Ophorus Corporation, Universal Pictures Co. Inc., Universal Film Exchange, Inc., Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation, United Artists Corporation, Columbia Pictures Corporation, Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc., and Vitagraph Inc.

Enactment of the appropriation bill left Mr. Roosevelt only 107 bills still to act upon of the approximately 400 measures sent him.

The funds for the commodity credit corporation were reinstated in the bill by the Senate after being deleted by the House. Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace had warned that the \$119,000,000 was essential if the corporation was to continue operations in support of the nation's agricultural price structure.

"It used to cost the worker about \$25 to get his tonsils removed," declared Quill; "now we're ripping out the tonsils at six and a half dollars a clip, and the companies call it Communism."

"Well, there are so many 'isms' nowadays, from nazism to rheumatism, but any 'ism' that gives the worker a chance to hold his job and keep his health is a good 'ism'; and it's better Americanism than anything done by the bosses."

To explain the hostility of em-

Unionism Is Best Americanism, Quill Tells Miners

Transport Union Head Tells Metal Miners That Workers Are Better Americans Than Bosses, Cites Health Plan

(Special to the Daily Worker)
DENVER, Colo., Aug. 10.—Employer attempts to smear the brand of "ism" on legitimate labor organizations received a scorching denunciation yesterday by Michael J. Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union and American Labor Party city councilman of New York, in an address before the 36th Convention of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, meeting at the Albany Hotel.

Disposing of the charge that unions are radical and godless, Quill told the 150 delegates from all over the United States and Canada that his own union had made its \$4,000 members in New York City's transit system better church members than ever before.

"Our members are better church members than ever before," he explained; "when they used to work 34 hours a week there was no time for church, and no money for the collection plate either. Now that the majority of our members have Sunday off, they have time to go to church, and higher wages makes money for the collection plate."

"A man can be a much better American, too, when a union makes it possible for him to have the Fourth of July off, with pay, to go out under a tree and read the Constitution."

"Why should the companies now worry about the souls of their workers?" he continued. "Our contention is that if the companies will take care of their bodies, the workers will work overtime taking care of their souls."

"SPEAKS FOR CIO
Speaking as the official representative of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, Quill declared that the greatest contribution to real Americanism will be the organization of all the working people of the country in democratic unions which will protect their rights against employers who have always recognized the need of unity."

Slashing further at the pious horizon which employers pretend to regard progressive advances in unionism, Quill cited the comprehensive medical service recently established by his own union in New York City, employing the services of 40 doctors and 8 specialists in the care of the union members.

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Labor Board Orders Ford Motor Co. to Halt Union Baiting

NLRB Repeats 'Guilty Ruling' Against Ford

Issues 'Cease and Desist' Order on Ford's Anti-UAW Activities

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (UP)—The National Labor Relations Board tonight reaffirmed its ruling that the Ford Motor Company was guilty of violating the Wagner Act at its vast River Rouge plant in Dearborn, Mich.

The Ford Company was ordered to reinstate 24 employees with back pay, five less reinstatements than were contained in the original decisions of Dec. 22, 1937 which the board vacated to correct possible procedural deficiencies.

The board dismissed its own charge that the firm had dominated the unaffiliated Ford Brotherhood of America, Inc. in its previous decision, the NLRB had found the company guilty on this count.

The new decision retained the disputed section requiring the firm to "cease and desist from . . . interfering with, restraining or coercing its employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed in Section 7 of the Act by circulating, distributing or otherwise disseminating among its employees statements or propaganda which disparages or criticizes labor organizations or which advises its employees not to join such organization."

The board referred to the "Fordisms" quotations from Henry Ford, and to the musings of "Smoke-Stack Joe," mythical character in the "Ford Almanac," both of which contained anti-union statements.

NO FREE SPEECH DENIAL

We do not believe that the foregoing finding unconstitutionally abridges the respondent's (Ford's) freedom of speech and of the press," the NLRB said.

"Freedom of speech is qualified, not an absolute right."

The Dearborn case already has been to the Supreme Court once on a technicality, and the Ford Company was defeated in its attempt to prevent the Sixth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals from remanding the case to the board for correction of possible procedural errors.

The present case arose directly from the famed "battle of the overpass" at the river Rouge plant May 26, 1937, in which several union leaders were beaten.

Under the new decision, the company is directed to cease and desist from:

Discouraging membership in the UAW by discharging or refusing to reinstate any employees, or discriminating in regard to their hiring or tenure, because of membership or activity in the UAW.

Threatening, assaulting, beating, or in any other manner interfering with, restraining, or intimidating, directly or indirectly, members of the UAW or other unions distributing or otherwise disseminating union literature in the vicinity of its River Rouge plant.

Interfering with, restraining or coercing employees in their right of self-organization by distributing anti-union literature.

Any other interference with employees' self-organization activities.

The new decision was signed by chairman J. Warren Madden and member Edwin S. Smith. Dr. William M. Leiserson, newest board member, did not participate because the Ford case had been argued before the board prior to his transfer to the NLRB from the chairmanship of the National Mediation Board.

Poles Remind Danzig to Heed Their Warning

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ward Smigly-Rydz, chief of the defense forces of Poland, made at Gracow Sunday.

"We want peace just as others want peace," he said then. . . . "We have never entertained any aggressive plans against anyone. But there must be no doubt that we will withstand any attempts to damage our interests or the integrity of our state."

"I have the pleasant duty to point out that we have friends among other countries who understand our point of view. Danzig has been united with Poland for hundreds of years. Danzig is the lung of our economic organism. . . . No one should believe that Polish love of fatherland involves fewer duties than that of other countries."

Farley Is Guest of Poland's President

WARSAW, Aug. 10 (UP)—James A. Farley, United States Postmaster General, will be a breakfast guest tomorrow or President Ignacy Moscicki. Farley, on a private visit to Poland, will be the first guest received by the President after the latter's return from his summer home at Wilna, Silesia.

Skill Foils Death



53 Billion Dollars Held By 28 Trusts

28 Trusts in Billion Dollar Roster in 1939—6 in 1919

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out of the billion-dollar classification by a narrow margin in 1937, regained its position in 1938, while two newcomers—Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co. and First National Bank of Chicago—also were added to the roster.

The Bell Telephone System ranked at the head of the list with total assets of \$5,119,062,915, followed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. with \$4,942,900,417 and the Prudential Life Insurance with \$3,800,786,614.

Chase National, largest private bank in the world, ranked well ahead of all other American banking units with total assets of \$2,523,187,177, while Pennsylvania Railroad again headed the carrier list with resources of \$2,322,408,356. Standard Oil (New Jersey) claimed assets of \$2,044,635,257, and Consolidated Edison led the utilities with \$1,358,558,488.

Marcantonio Asks FDR Aid Puerto Ricans

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VITO MARCANTONIO, American Labor Party Representative, 20th Congressional District appealed yesterday to President Roosevelt for the use of emergency funds for the relief of the unemployed in Puerto Rico.

More than a million citizens of the island, which is about 65 per cent of the population, Marcantonio said in his letter to President Roosevelt, "lack work and food."

The text of the letter follows:

"A most serious emergency confronts the people of Puerto Rico. More than one million of its citizens, constituting over 65 per cent of the entire population, lack work and food."

"This economic plight is due to no fault of the people of Puerto Rico. It is having disastrous consequences on these people."

"I most strongly urge the use of emergency funds, appropriated by Congress, for immediate relief. I am certain that this appeal will not go unheeded, and have full confidence that you will give my customary immediate attention to a most deserving people."

Badoglio in Dog House For Row with Ciano

PARIS, Aug. 10 (UP)—Marshal Pietro Badoglio, Italian army commander during the invasion of Ethiopia, is on bad terms with Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano, the newspaper *Excelsior* said today.

Excelsior said the two men quarreled over foreign policy. Unconfirmed reports were circulated in Paris that Badoglio is in "disgrace" and was not invited to the Po Valley military maneuvers, or the reception by the King and Mussolini of Italian staff officers who directed the maneuvers.

Badoglio is under sentence to be hanged for the murder Feb. 9, 1937, of his wife Mabel, 31.

He has been in the death row in the state prison here since April, 1937, and is awaiting a new trial granted on a technicality.

He and 60 other prisoners volunteered to donate blood for W. J. Fair, who is serving a 25-year sentence. Rhodes and four other convicts were selected after their blood had been found to be the same type.

Peruvians Tame Plane for Hop To South America

Two Peruvian air force pilots groomed an all-aluminum low-wing monoplane yesterday for the first projected non-stop flight from New York to Lima, Peru.

Commander Humberto Gallo and his brother, Captain Victor Gallo, said they hoped to make the 4,250-mile trip in 22 to 24 hours. They will put their plane, the Cruz del Chalpon, through experiments at Floyd Bennett Field before the take-off at noon Aug. 19.

They arrived Wednesday night after a flight from Detroit.

Italy Bans 'Time' For Story on Edda

ROME, Aug. 10.—Time magazine has been banned from Italy until further notice.

Cause of the action was an article in the issue of July 24 about Countess Edda Ciano, daughter of Premier Mussolini and wife of the Italian Foreign Minister. Dr. William M. Leiserson, newest board member, did not participate because the Ford case had been argued before the board prior to his transfer to the NLRB from the chairmanship of the National Mediation Board.

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 10 (UP)—Police sought today to identify a well-dressed woman, about 30, who locked herself in the rest room of a parking lot and committed suicide by soaking her clothing with gasoline and setting it on fire.

A six-quart can containing a few drops of gasoline and a partially-used paper of matches were found beside the body.

Police said the woman's purse contained 83 cents. A want-ad section of a newspaper found in the rest room washstand led them to believe she took her life when she was unsuccessful in finding a job.

Vesuvius Erupts

NAPLES, Aug. 10 (UP)—Mount Vesuvius was in eruption again today.

Lava flowed continually, accompanied by flames which light up the skies at night.

Negro Mayor to Speak On Housing Here Sunday

At the conclusion of the program there will be a testimonial dinner for the guests at the Problems Cooperative Association, 186 Lenox Ave.

Lawnside was founded during slavery as a station of the famous Underground Railroad, a system of secret routes for transporting fugitive slaves to the free states of the North and to Canada. With a population of 1,500, most of whom are Negroes, Lawnside was incorporated in 1921. Mayor Still was elected last year.

Stars Fall on A. F. of L. Executive Body



MILLION-DOLLAR CARGO of movie stars arrives at Newark airport to appear before A. F. of L. Executive Committee. Left to right: Wayne Morris, Larry Steers, Actor's Guild official, Jean Muir, Mischa Auer, Blanche Barnes, President Ralph Morgan, Mrs. Jimmy Gleason, Henry Hull and Edward Arnold. They're bound for A. F. of L. hearing at Atlantic City.

Mayor Urges Rescinding Of September WPA Cut

Tory Nominee Party Suicide; Says President

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Says He Will Have No Part in Betrayal of Democracy's Aims

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"typically Republican administration," Mr. Roosevelt warned.

"It has been said that a great many voters today want us as a nation to stop, look and listen," he said. "What they fail to understand is that nations cannot stand still because by the very act of standing still, the rest of the procession moving forward, inevitably leaves them in the rear."

"Republican and Democratic reactionaries want to undo what we have accomplished in the last few years and return to the unrestricted individualism of the previous century. Republican and Democratic conservatives admit that all of our recent policies are not wrong and that many of them should be retained—but their eyes are on the present; they give no thought for the future and thus, without meaning to, are failing to solve even current social and economic problems by declining to consider the needs of tomorrow. Radicals of all kinds have some use to humanity because they at least have the imagination to think up many kinds of answers to problems even though their answers are wholly impractical of fulfillment in the immediate future."

"Liberals," the President said, "desire to use the existing plants of civilization, to select the best of them. To water them and make them grow—not only for the present use of mankind, but also for the use of generations to come."

As Maner read Mr. Roosevelt's speech, Tibbett stressed that the public in general and the A. F. of L. membership will oppose Browne's raiding practice. He concluded:

"If you deny us our rights you will take away the autonomy of every international union and will open the doors to countless lawless raids of jurisdiction and in the final analysis you will have destroyed in the eyes of your combined membership and the citizens of the United States the A. F. of L."

"We further ask you to make your decision here and now," Tibbett continued.

"Gentlemen, the appointment of a committee which will sit and consider this matter interminably will create a labor crisis in the entertainment industry. We have been wronged and it is your duty to correct that wrong at once."

He then added significantly that he has been authorized to declare that 4-A's would accept a committee only if it is instructed by you to meet today, sit in continuous session and reach an understanding by tomorrow at which time the committee must report to you and make a decision to you or the other."

WARN'S RESULT

Tibbett warned that "much injustice" and "unprecedented warfare in the history of labor" would come if a decision is delayed further. He said much harm would come to workers who depend upon the entertainment industry for their livelihood and "irreparable

"This wrong has already been done," he said. "All we ask is that President Green's unlawful and unconstitutional act be corrected. Secondly we demand that the Executive Council declare void the alleged charter issued by IASTE (stage hands) to the AFA."

As head of the actors, Gilmore issued the warning that the A. F. of L. will lose "public confidence" by permitting Browne's "grab."

Mr. Turner presented to the council a long report citing excerpts from correspondence, resolutions and other documents running as far back as 1900 to show that the jurisdiction of 4-A is clear and could not possibly be in dispute.

Tibbett's speech was in reply to the "indefiniteness" and "uncertainty" regarding 4-A jurisdiction that Green had expressed during the last several days.

Others among the actors who were today admitted into the council meeting were:

Edward Arnold, vice-president of the SAG; Miriam Hopkins, Jean Muir, Lucille Gleason, Blanche Barnes, Henry Hull, Mischa Auer, Wayne Morris, Ken Thomson, executive secretary, SAG; Talullah Bankhead, Fredric March, Jack Kennedy, Larry Steers, Emily Holt, executive secretary of the Radio Artists; Peggy Wood, Frank Conroy, Alfred Harding, Jascha Heifetz and others.

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 10 (UP)—The Miami Detective Bureau announced today that Charles Jefferson, self-styled movie talent scout, had been captured near Boca Raton, Fla., and that one of the two Miami high school girls he reportedly followed to accompany him had been found dead.

The dead girl was Frances Ruth Dunn, 17. The other girl, Jean Bolton, 17, a singer, was alive but, according to the report telephoned here by Detective Lieut. E. W. Melchen, was "in pretty bad shape."

Both girls had been raped, the Detective Bureau said Melchen reported.

Ether Fume Blast Wrecks School Lab in California

PASADENA, Cal., Aug. 10 (UP)—A terrific explosion of ether fume wrecked the third floor of the \$200,000 Crelin Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology today.

The explosion occurred when a laboratory worker spilled ether on the floor. He was mopping it up when the ether caught fire.

The fire ignited other chemicals in the laboratory and the explosion followed.

Asks Raising of Southern Wage Level to Block Cuts in North

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Frank Murphy said at his press conference this afternoon that he expected to hand down an opinion shortly on the proposal made by La Guardia that WPA had the power to restore the prevailing wage on all projects started before the Woodrum Bill went into effect on July 1.

La Guardia suggested this solution to Col. Harrington a few weeks ago, and Harrington referred it to Murphy for an opinion. The Attorney General gave no inkling of the line he would take in his opinion.

Major LaGuardia said that the other Mayors of the country would sign a petition appealing against wage cuts which would be submitted to Col. Harrington shortly.

He stopped off here for 15 minutes at the airport on his way to Chicago where he was expected to give the World's Fair a boost.

It was also expected that he would line up the support of mid-Western Mayor for his drive against WPA wage cuts on his trip.

WARN'S MASS WANT

"Any reduction of the present wages in Northern and Western cities would bring the mere subsistence wage to the point of actual want," La Guardia said. "A reduction in these cities is simply unthinkable."

La Guardia admitted that the Woodrum Bill has confronted WPA "with an extremely difficult job in fixing new monthly security wages by Sept. 1.

"The law provides that monthly relief earnings in all sections of the country shall not vary more than is justified by cost of living facts."

"Wage rates should, without doubt, be increased in several of the Southern states. To accomplish this without reducing monthly earnings in the West and the North presents a real problem. Any slashes in Western and North security wages is simply out of the question."

La Guardia maintained that the solution to the problem could be found in a flexible interpretation of the law.

He cited a letter to Col. Harrington from Senator James F. Byrnes of South Carolina, one of the conferees who drafted the final version of the Woodrum Bill to show that wage cuts were not intended.</

Handwriting Expert Blasts Testimony of Stooge Against Bridges

Proves That Signature He Claimed Was Forced Was Given Deliberately; Evidence Damages Credibility of Leech's Whole Story

(Special to the Daily Worker)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10.—Scholarly, pedantic Edgar Oscar Heinrich, Berkeley criminologist and handwriting expert, today took the witness stand in the Harry Bridges deportation hearing and applied his science to shoot wide holes in the prosecution's case. With the slow, methodical detachment of a scientist, Heinrich shattered the story previously told by John L. Leech, expelled Communist and key prosecution witness, regarding an affidavit that may be the decisive legal factor in clearing the Pacific Coast CIO leader of the charges on which his deportation is sought.

In that affidavit, Leech said that detective William Browne of the Portland police had offered him first \$1,000 and then \$2,000 to testify that Bridges was a Communist.

Leech also said that a man representing himself as Secretary of the Associated Oregon Chambers of Commerce first offered him \$5,000 and later "indicated he would be willing to pay ten thousand dollars," for his testimony.

NO FEAR ON HASTE

Furthermore, Leech said: "I refused because to my best belief and knowledge Harry Bridges is not a Communist or a member of the Communist Party, nor was he at any such meeting where I was present."

When confronted with a photographic copy of that statement, Leech took two lines of defense. First, he asserted that he had signed such a statement but that it was under duress, he scanned it hastily and affixed his signature, being motivated by fear. Second, he said that the copy shown was not his, that certain handwritten insertions were not his, and that the signature was not his.

All these claims were dealt a staggering blow by the West's most famous handwriting expert. Heinrich testified that all the handwritten insertions in the photostat of the affidavit were made by Leech, that the signature was that of Leech, that the writing denoted neither fear nor haste.

BLASTS WIFE'S STORY

Heinrich also negated the story of Mrs. Leech on the witness stand that despite the dimness of light at the time Leech signed the affidavit, she was certain he had the document in his hand for but a brief moment, and was positive he had

made no corrections in the paper given him by "a bunch of Communists."

Heinrich's testimony, given under questioning of Benjamin Margolis, a new arrival on the defense staff, replacing Aubrey Grossman who has been confined by illness, purported to show that Leech signed the statement after calm deliberation, having time to insert minor corrections in spelling and grammar.

This affidavit is of extreme importance for two reasons:

1. It gives credence by Dean James M. Landis, trial examiner, to corroborate the defense contention that witnesses were offered "improper inducements."

2. It would completely destroy the credibility of Leech who was in actuality the key witness for the prosecution, for he was the only one who testified at having been at meetings of inner councils of the Communist Party where Bridges assertedly was in attendance.

PROVES AUTHORITY

Margolis went into painstaking detail to establish the authority of Heinrich, a short, aging baldish man who talks with a profound professorial tone and a scholastic bearing.

Under Margolis' questioning, Heinrich gave the following sketch of his career:

Graduated from the University of California in 1908, he has been a visiting lecturer on criminology in the University since 1917. For some time he was chief of police in Alameda, and at other times a research police associate with the rank of sergeant. He has been a university instructor in chemistry and physics, was one-time editor of the Journal of Political Science, and is contributor to scientific journals in America and abroad.

Societies of which Heinrich is a member include the International Academy of Criminology, American Chemical Society, American Institute of Criminal Law, British So-

cieties—waitresses—others who spend their working hours in or about restaurant and institution kitchens, where the temperatures usually border on the torrid.

Easiest housedresses to wash and iron are, like these uniforms, cut simply. And they are made out of materials such as gingham, percale, chambray, seresucker, medium-weight broadcloth. These cottons do not need the starching that lighter weight materials require. Yet they are easier to iron than heavy cottons.

It is easier to keep a dress in condition, too, if there is no superfluous trim, such as ruffles and embroidery, that need special attention in the wash. Buttons, buckles, and slide fasteners should be durable as the dress material.

Avoid belt buckles and buttons on a metal mold. These fall apart and wear through quickly. Avoid, also, buttons that melt or catch fire if they come in contact with a hot iron.

Pockets should be stitched flat, reinforced on the corner set where they are not likely to be in the way. Prilly pockets and long sashes are kitchen hazards, because they are likely to catch on pan handles, door latches, cupboard knobs, handles or fixtures on the stove.

Housedresses should fit neatly—but not tightly. There needs to be room for action in the sleeves, and a little fullness across the shoulders. Many women prefer pleats to flares in the skirt. A conservative flare that starts about the level of the hips does not get in the way as much when there's stooping to do.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1939

At Hitler's Instructions, Foerster Threatens War

Hitler's mobilized army of 2,000,000 soldiers are ready to be plunged against Poland in order to make Danzig a part of the Nazi Reich.

That is what the Danzig stooge of Hitler told a Nazi mass meeting last night in the "Free City."

In presenting this blunt war threat, Herr Foerster, of course, added the usual Nazi trimmings. It is Warsaw which is threatening war, he lied.

The gall of the Nazis even daring to utter such falsehoods goes to show that Hitler still believes in his own "first propaganda principle"—the bigger the lie the more chances of more of it being believed.

After the world has seen the Nazi monsters spew the same lies against Austria, Czechoslovakia, Memel and the Spanish Republic the peace loving people should be ready for a re-enactment of what happened to those unhappy countries.

In short, Hitler's loudspeaker, Albert Foerster, is just helping to create an "atmosphere" more suitable to treachery by the Munich gang, the kind which aided Hitler to destroy Czechoslovakia and Spain last year.

For the sake of world peace every firm stand of Poland—especially of the Polish people and those in the Warsaw government who show they are sincere—should be supported.

Particularly, Poland's future really is being bartered away in the British Tory stallion on a peace front with the Soviet Union.

Only such a peace front—which the Chamberlain crew deliberately prevented in anticipation of Hitler's present moves—can halt fascist aggression.

The Alliance Goes to Bat

When the Tories first brought out the WPA-wrecking Woodrum Bill, it was done behind a barrage of red-baiting against the organization of the unemployed. "House to Vote on Bill to Curb Workers Alliance," was the way the newspapers heralded the measure which was to spell hunger and suffering for millions of families.

The truth of the matter is that the Woodrum Bill has created such havoc throughout the nation, that the Workers Alliance is recognized by the unemployed as more indispensable than ever.

Everywhere the Alliance is growing. Its prestige was never higher as discharged WPA workers, tortured with despair, turn to it for guidance.

After taking the lead in fighting for revision of the criminal Woodrum bill while Congress was still in session, the Alliance is now working night and day to ease the suffering created by the Tory law.

The latest move of the Alliance in this will undoubtedly win widespread support. This is the proposal presented to WPA Administrator Harrington through which to minimize the number of lay-offs and speed the return of the 650,000 dropped on account of the 18-month ruling. Another proposal would avoid the prescribed wage cuts by raising wages in the South sufficiently to wipe out the differential between that section and the rest of the country. The Alliance has also set aside Sept. 11 for a National Job Hunt, to determine whether there are jobs in private industry and to obtain those that may exist.

The Alliance is performing a great service to the country as a whole by the leadership, encouragement and hope that it gives to the unemployed in these critical days.

Dixie Davis in the Tabloids and the Hearst Press

Prurient scandals, sub-sister stuff, cheap sex stories, and all that sort of filth has always been duck soup and the chief stock-in-trade of the tabloids and the Hearst press of this city.

But a fouler exhibition of the degeneracy of the tabloids has hardly been equalled than in the prominence given to the antics of that

convicted crook and racketeers' mouthpiece, Dixie Davis and his moll, Hope Dare.

Plastered over almost the entire front page of the New York Daily News and the Daily Mirror, and given front-page prominence in the Hearst Journal American, yesterday was a series of repelling photos and fawning captions about the gangster Dixie Davis and his bride, the notorious Hope Dare.

Almost as if shrieking at its youthful readers, "Here's the way to get your picture in the paper and a lot of hero-worship publicity," these newspapers put a premium, it would seem, on the doings of convicted enemies of human decency.

Or is there a method to this mushiness? Is this the tabloid and Hearst way of distracting public attention from the impending world war menace? Do they resort to this sort of thing to concentrate public attention on the salacious affairs of a criminal and his partner to try to make people forget the fresher and bigger crimes of the Tory enemies of the New Deal?

Or is it that Dixie Davis was so prominent in the cases which brought fame to the fair-haired boy of the Hoovers, District Attorney Dewey, that the gutter press strives so hard to keep the big mobs' mouthpiece so high in its "news" treatment.

Watch the Packing Industry

Keep your eyes on Chicago, center of the packing industry.

That is where the battle lines are forming in the only major industry which still refuses to bargain collectively with the workers.

Packing is the next open-shop citadel to be attacked by the CIO after its long chain of victories in auto, steel, rubber and other industries where union contracts had previously been unknown.

The progress that the CIO is making in its campaign is evidenced by the brilliant victory it has just won against the biggest of the big packers, Armour & Co. Armour has just been compelled by a strike vote of 6,000 workers in its Chicago plant to take back the 15 shop stewards who had been fired last Monday in an effort to break the union.

But the main battle lies ahead. For Armour still refuses to negotiate with the Packing House Workers Organizing Committee on a national contract. Yes, watch the workers in the packing industry and give them full support.

Fascist Economy Is Aggression Also

Henry F. Grady, newly appointed Assistant Secretary of State, hit the nail on the head when he said in his first official pronouncement:

"Fundamentally, the totalitarian economic philosophy is founded on aggression."

Coming soon after the New Deal Security Exchange Commission's halting of the Nazi attempts to float a \$73,000,000 swindling loan in this country, this is a stronger warning to the fascist war-making powers.

Whoever assists fascist economy and trade furthers the war plans of the Rome-Berlin axis.

When the House of Morgan and its banking associates help the Nazi regime, try to float a loan, under whatever pretext, they in reality are strengthening the war plans of the fascist dictators.

It is not enough to say, as did Mr. Grady, that:

"I am convinced the trade methods which they (the fascists) have adopted are self-defeating and cannot continue indefinitely."

Before that comes who can say what damage will have been done to world peace and the economic conditions of other nations?

It is necessary to recognize fully the aggressive nature of fascist economy and act accordingly, which means, embargo arms to the war-makers.

Specifically, clamp down on all American war supplies to the Japanese aggressor.

Smugglers in M. Bonnet's Entourage in the U. S.

Should they learn all the details, it will be the French people who will be the quickest to condemn and regret the use by some of French Foreign Minister Bonnet's boys of diplomatic pouches for the smuggling of motion pictures into the United States.

The U. S. Grand Jury of the Southern District of New York which returned a "presentment" in the case, explained that it did not want to go further against the French officials involved in order not to injure the "comity of nations."

Certainly, knowing M. Bonnet who was one of those most guilty in betraying France in the last Munich, and who to shield the ties of people close to him with the Nazis caused the arrest of Lucien Sampaix, an editor of our brother paper, L'Humanite, it is not surprising to find a nest of smugglers in his outfit.

At the risk of injuring the relations of France and the United States, some of Bonnet's agents in the United States thought nothing of engaging in smuggling in order to make a few easy dollars.

Is it any wonder that the Nazi warmakers look to this same Georges Bonnet to come across for them again against Poland this time?

THE HITLER CHAUFFEUR

by Gropper



World Front

By
HARRY GANNES

Hitler Speeds Up His War Drive Against Danzig; More Details of the Nazi Plans

Whatever other avenues of aggression the Nazis are preparing, it is now fairly certain that Hitler has a fixed determination to risk world war in a drive to conquer Danzig.

Unless the Rome-Berlin axis in the next few weeks—yes, even the next few days—is rudely confronted with an achieved peace front the fascist warmakers will carry their Danzig campaign to the most dangerous climax.

Because they are assured that the Anglo-French appeasement intrigues at Poland's expense have been accelerated the Nazis are confident that the Hitler regime will soon swallow Danzig as a hors d'oeuvre preliminary to gulping down all Poland.

From Berlin, on Aug. 8, Wallace R. Deuel, Chicago Daily News correspondent, cabled:

"The only thing which is reasonably certain here about the German-Polish problem is that the Nazis are determined to seize Danzig before the winter sets in along the Vistula."

Furthermore, additional details of the Nazi timetable are being made known.

It is reliably reported from London that:

"The impression is growing in both British and Polish circles that the German celebration of the World War battle of Tannenberg, starting Aug. 25 and scheduled to culminate in a speech by Hitler on Aug. 27, may be the signal for overwhelming pressure on Poland, backed by 2,000,000 mobilized troops."

Leading up to this war dress parade that may become the horrible reality (which can yet be averted) are a number of stereotyped Nazi moves. These include:

The Berchtesgaden-dictated speech which was delivered by the Danzig Nazi leader, Albert Foerster, at a Nazi mass meeting last night in the "Free City" threatening Poland in a serious rehash of the Henlein Sudeten demands against Prague just one year ago.

Simultaneous with this bullying step, Hitler's rabid foreign minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop, sent a wheedling and threatening message to French foreign minister, Georges Bonnet. The purpose of this tactic is to prod the chief Parisian Munichian into action by giving him excuses for bringing pressure on Poland in the form of "reasons" why France cannot come to Poland's assistance in the event of Nazi aggression against Danzig.

Then, Herr Ribbentrop has arranged a conference with Mussolini's No. 1 messenger, Count Galeazzo Ciano, at Salzburg, Austria, not far from the Italian border.

In the course of these developments, pressure is being brought on Yugoslavia to be a "neutral" ally in the Rome-Berlin assault on Poland. Though the press here harped heavily on Regent Prince Paul's declination, the fact remains that Belgrade's Premier, Dragisha Cvetkovich, decided to fly to Italy, and that cannot result in Yugoslavia's good.

Moreover, the Polish ambassadors to London and Washington have made public the Warsaw government's alarm over the intensity and recklessness of the Nazi war moves against Poland. Count Potocki, Polish envoy at Washington, spoke of a "miracle" as the only means of saving peace. But the Munich men usually call their appeasement betrayals such a phenomenon, only they intensify the world war danger rather than rescuing peace.

And in Germany, finally, the Nazi commander-in-chief of the 2,000,000 mobilized soldiers, Gen. Walter von Brauchitsch, yesterday in a speech to armament workers sought to quiet surging misgivings throughout Germany that the German people are about to be hurled into a world slaughter by the Nazis. The burden of his address was that Hitler would not hesitate to shed the blood of the German people if the Nazis consider that the way of getting Danzig now.

Berlin's decision at this time to make a desperate gamble with world peace is also reflected in Tokio occurrences. The Nipponese fascist samurai have reflected their pressure on the British and have become more provocative in their anti-American actions.

But because Japan has been pretty well exhausted by its futile two-year invasion of China, the Hiranuma cabinet does not relish staking the whole shaky structure of Japanese imperialism on one throw of the dice in Danzig.

So a crisis is maturing in Japanese ruling and army cliques. Japan's "elder statesmen" are striving to solve this huge inner peril by seeking a formula whereby Tokio can join the Axis war alliance and yet continue to get its war materials from the U. S. and Great Britain, chiefly for war against the U. S. and Great Britain.

And they look especially to the reactionary Republicans sponsors of "isolation" in this country as well as to their conglomerate "isolationist" stooges here to help Tokio try to find a way out of its predicament.

Letters From Our Readers

There Is Sufficient Cause for Alarm—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Copy of a letter to Mayor LaGuardia:

"Dear Mayor LaGuardia:

"Mindful of the fact that you are beset at present with many number of situations which are rightfully termed 'emergency,' it is nonetheless imperative that the following be brought to the attention of the City Fathers for immediate action:

"In Manhattan, at the corner of Amsterdam and 133rd St., The Christian Front has been holding open-air meetings nightly. Last night, Aug. 8, I stopped to listen to what was being said. I was shocked and horrified.

"The speaker set the date of Aug. 19, evening, for a raid on the Jewish merchants within a radius of several blocks of the meeting. The announcements was received with enthusiasm by the listeners, who numbered a nice several hundred. The speaker stated, to assure any doubts the listeners might have had: 'Do not worry. The police are with us.' The officers on duty at that meeting were friendly rather than indifferent.

"I do think there is sufficient cause for alarm regarding the specific instance stated above, for immediate action to be taken. I do feel that action is in the province of the police department, and, if any laxity exists in that department, I, as a citizen and resident of that neighborhood, fearful of the safety of

my immediate family as well as that of my neighbors, request that an immediate and thorough investigation be made.

"I do hope official action is taken on this immediately, for need I mention that the present unhappy fate of a great nation in Europe resulted from a 'funny' beer hall putsch."

MRS. JOSEPH ELSON.

An Erroneous Impression—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In Monday's Daily Worker a headline proclaimed "Courts' Fixing of Salary Boosts Imperial City Jobs." The least damage such a headline does is give uninformed readers an erroneous impression—that the courts have again put their stamp of approval on wastage of city funds. I assume the real facts were not known.

Those two decisions the Mayor is criticizing were not the "clubhouse" variety. One, the Wexler decision, was a victory for the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, CIO, which sued to force the city to pay its low-paid employees their increments on the anniversary of their entrance into the city service. Many employees heretofore had to wait two (2) years for their salary boosts.

The other—the Denby decision—put a stop to the practice of setting arbitrary limits to salary grades. Thus a clerk will now reach within a penny of the maximum of his grade instead of within \$60 of the

maximum or some other figure set at the whim of department officials.

The bulk of city employees are low paid. To then decisions like these are not dictated by political motives and they resent any such inference.

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For Better Reading Material In CCC Camps

Schenectady, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of a letter sent to the Hon. Harold Ickes, Secretary of the Interior:

"Dear Mr. Ickes—

"On May 29, I directed a letter to Mr. Fechner, Director of the CCC, in which I stated that the reading material to be found in the CCC camps is inadequate and improper.

"His reply to this letter was very unsatisfactory. In fact he seemed well contented with the present set-up. I decided that perhaps I was on the wrong trail and that a letter written to you, as Director of the Office of Education,

Change the World



The Accused Becomes
The Accuser in the
Harry Bridges Case

By MIKE GOLD

THE fascists should never have allowed the Harry Bridges deportation case to proceed in the open. The courtroom where they thought they could crucify a labor leader became instead a broadcasting station from which the ideals of labor, stated by a fearless and honest champion, went forth to the whole nation. This is democracy; it works best in the full light of noon: but fascism thrives only in the darkness of cowards and assassins.

Whatever the outcome of the case may be, Harry Bridges has reached millions of American minds. He has clarified for many the false dilemma with which fascists try to confuse and split the democratic defense.

Harry Bridges states in the plain English of the people a concrete situation. The maritime workers of the Pacific Coast were living under slave conditions. Unions were organized. The shipping companies employed gangsters and crooked officials to break these unions. The Communists helped to defend and build the unions.

Harry Bridges, a labor leader, thinking only in union terms, was presented with this choice: If you accept Communist help, if you refuse to start a drive against Communist seamen that will weaken the union, you will be branded as a Communist yourself, and persecuted as an "alien."

He refused to weaken his union. He made it a strong union. The fascists could not frighten him with the blackmail threat which they have used successfully on so many fools and cowards in the democracies.

I want somebody to cite one name of a prominent American propagandist or political leader who spends most of his time fighting "Communism," who is not a fascist, or a stooge for fascism.

Nobody has to love Communists, or believe in Communism today, to understand that the "Anti-Communist" Front is merely a very shabby and threadbare mask for the Anti-Democratic Front of the fascist wreckers and demagogues.

Harry Bridges is one labor leader who clearly understands the class struggle, and the world struggle between fascism and democracy, and who is militant on the side of labor. This makes him sound like a Communist, of course, but I agree with his indignation at his accusers who would make it seem that every progressive idea held by a militant worker today comes to him only as the result of the Russian Revolution.

Such ideas were being preached here in America before the Civil War. There were trade unions and working class political parties in America before Lenin was born. Some thirty years ago Eugene V. Debs, running on a Socialist ticket, polled a million votes in a presidential election.

Harry Bridges grew up in Australia, which has always been one of the progressive spots in the world. It had a labor government long before that of England. Bridges was raised in a progressive family, where the uncle who was his hero was the same sort of militant labor leader, holding the same kind of ideas as he, some forty years ago.

What is dangerous about the deportation frame-up of the Bridges is that it is the first big gun in the anti-union campaign of the American fascists.

They have been passing a slew of bills in the Treason Congress on this theme. What they would like to do is to establish a universal finger-printing system in America, with internal passports, and the rest of it—a great blacklist that would terrorize and eventually destroy all trade unions and progressivism among the people.

If you can deport a leader like Harry Bridges, you can then proceed to frighten with deportation millions of trade unionists who are foreign-born citizens. You can pass a law depriving of citizenship any such worker who goes on strike or joins a trade union.

Italian fascists and Nazi consuls in this country, working in collusion with corrupt officials in the Department of Immigration, have already spread terror among their nationals here, and forced them to bow the knee even in America to Hitler and Mussolini.

In many states the same corrupt federal officials, bribed by the employers, have used the threat of deportation against the workers.

Let no progressive or trade unionist believe that Harry Bridges is a special case. He is the test case for almost half the population of America, which is foreign-born, or the children of foreign-born.

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7:45-WABC—Morning Broadcast Report
8:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News
8:30-WNYC—World Fair Calendar
8:45-WMC—N. Y. State Employment
Commissioner's Guide

8:50-WHIN—U. P. News
WNYC—Robert Jones, Organ
WOR—World Fair Reporter
WABC—World's Page of the Air

8:45-WMC—News
8:50-MONYC—C-News: Around New York
8:55-WNYC—World Fair Calendar
9:00-WMC—U. P. News
9:15-WHIN—U. P. News
10:00-WNYC—News WNYC—Song Recital
11:30-WNYC—"Knee Fit to Music"
11:45-WNYC—"You and Your Health"
WOR—Radio Garden Club

AFTERNOON

12:00-WHIN—U. P. News
WNYC—Organ Recital from Temple
of Religion at World's Fair
12:15-WHIN—David Lowe, News of Stage
and Screen

WMC—World's Fair News
12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WNYC—Midday Symphony
WOR—"Music in the Sky,"
Interviews from atop the Empire
State Building

WJZ—National Farm-Hour
12:45-WNYC—Union, Parent Teachers
Association Program

1:45-WMC—News
WNYC—American String Trio
2:00-WOR—"Big Concert"
DABC—"According to Hoyte"
3:10-WABC—Giants vs. Phillies
3:15-WNYC—Fraternity Musical
WOR—"Music in the Sky,"
Views and Views of Baseball

3:30-WOR—WHN—"Cheubs vs. Pirates"
4:00-WNYC—Four Strings at 4:00
WOR—Cuba Matinee

4:15-WHIN—League of Women Voters
4:30-WNYC—Hour of Symphonic Music
WEAF—"Vic and Sade",
Vivian and Vivian Review

5:00-WHIN—News
WJZ—"Name It and Take It"
WNYC—Music to Swin By
5:30-WQXR—Concert Review
5:45-WHIN—"Music in the News"
WABC—Men Behind the Stars

Evening

6:00-WOR—Uncle Dan
WNYC—Homerton Newspapers
WQXR—Music to Remember

6:15-WEAF—Associated Press News
WOR—World Fair Report
WABC—Sport Chat

6:30-WHIN—Voice of the Theatre
WMC—Sports Talk
WEAF—Stamp Talk by Capt. Healy
WOR—Trans-Radio News

6:45-WEAF—Bill Stearn's Scrapbook
WCNY—News

Lincoln Steffens --- A Tribute

A Great American Who Kept to the Road of Progress

By Sam Adams Darcy

Lincoln Steffens wore the flowing cape and pointed beard which were fashionable at the turn of the century. But his keen mind was alert to his last hours to every political and social development. He was one of those rare individuals who, despite the lack of Marxist-Leninist education only by his fearless thinking, his wonderfully human instincts, his endless groping for truth, his honesty and integrity, was able, through more than fifty years of mature life, to keep his footing on the progressive path.

Our Communist movement alone of all the great American political movements devoted a great deal of time to the schooling of its members in scientific, social theory. Yet we have seen how often, when a necessary turn of policy had to be executed to meet some new situation, some were so burdened with bourgeois ideology and were so straight-jacketed in un-Marxian dogmas that they could not make the grade and fell by the wayside, to become feed for the reactionary maw.

Of all his contemporary co-workers in literature and journalism, reform politics and foreign relations, Steffens almost alone kept to the road of progress. The rise of imperialism permanently confused some, corrupted others, and defeated many. Ida Tarbell, with whom he fought big business and Standard Oil, became a glorifier of the Rockefellers. Walter Lippmann whom he first introduced to journalism when he made him a "leg man" in his journalistic exposure of Wall Street, is now the adviser to Wall Street, albeit a pretender to occasional liberalism.

**Typified American
Mind of '90's**

I know of no man who so well typified the American mind in the 1890's and early 1900's—its confusions and its growth—than Steffens. At 24 years of age he went to Berlin to seek culture. He wrote to his sister how intrigued he was with the "official life" and the "aristocracy," yet his observing eye could not miss other facts which he could not co-ordinate (Feb. 3, 1890):

"We have a big election on the 20th of February and it will be made the occasion of great demonstrations on the side of the Socialists. Bismarck is very anxious about the results . . . The tendency in Germany, from which I can see and judge of, is toward a Socialistic regime. Then in April, I think, there is to be a universal strike of workingmen all over Europe. . . . There seems to be a general alarm among business men about the elections on the 20th of February which they do not sufficiently explain and which I am unable to find adequate grounds for. . . . Anyway, I am interested . . ."

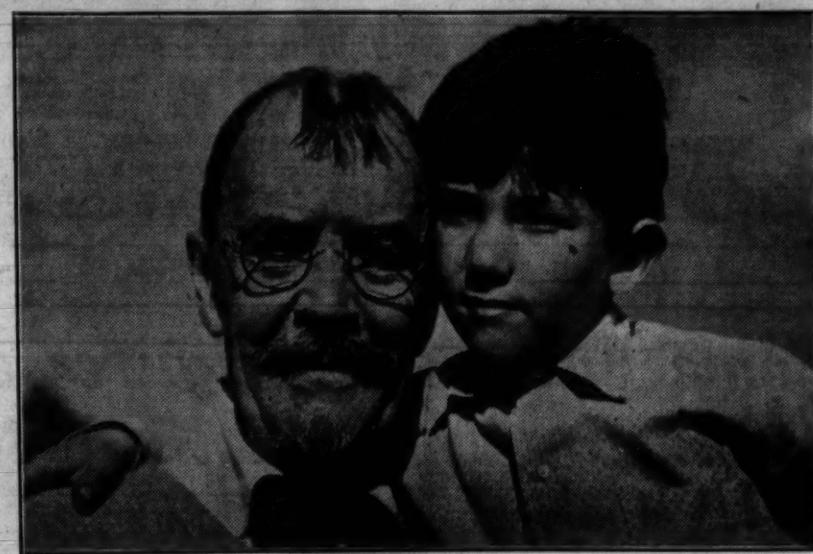
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**Saw Close-Up of
Practical Politics**

From 1890 on, Steffens went through forty years of practical experience with American politics, economics and social institutions, to finally fulfill Engels' prophecy. In the last paragraph of his biography which he finished in 1930-31 he said, after stating his new credo:

"Some change in me, this? It is. I have not lived in vain. The world which I tried so hard, so honestly, so dumbly, to 'change has changed me. It took a war, a peace, and a couple of revolutions to do it, but it is done. My spiral-like story ends as it began: by my being thrown out of a bed by the shocks of an earthquake which has laid me out, not crying, however, but smiling."

By 1938 Steffens, one of the greatest American liberals, understood that his beloved ideals, those of Jefferson, Paine and Lincoln, which he fondly believed were achievable in our present social order, could only be achieved in a new Socialist society. He named Lenin "the greatest of liberals." He very well knew that this was not true in the meaning of bourgeois liberalism. Steffens meant to say that he had found out that his own



The late Lincoln Steffens with his son, Peter.

humanitarian ideals could only be gained by following the path of Lenin. In his beautiful expressive symbolism he called Moscow "the capital of the future." He even sent Fliene, founder of the Chamber of Commerce to go to the U.S.S.R. to see how well "the future works."

Communism Is Scientific Cure

In 1934, after the great San Francisco General strike in which Steffens played a noble part, he wrote to me that he felt his groping for truth had reached a positive end.

"All my long life—too long—I have been following the stink of the trail of our so-called political corruption back up from the bad politics we deplore to the good business that bought and owns our bad government: le it war and its peace; to our riches, to our poverty, vice, to our college-educated ignorance down to the world-wide collapse from within of the whole stupid, crooked, mean economic system that we call civilization today. When the panic came in 1929, I struck the trail again to see and listen to

some of the big bosses of this big business, the men who had jeered at us muckrakers and—I found that they did not know what happened to them and us, they did not know what was wrong, what to do about it! They did not know, they do not know.

"And they want you and me to be patient—they in their comfortable riches, want you and me in our distress to stand still and take poverty and wretchedness on the chin—

"Now, all this life-time of mine when they jeered at me and my colleagues of the muck-rake—these makers of the muck in high jast made me report to them if I came to the end of my trail when, if ever, I found a cure and a cure for us and for them and our evils—And I promised many of them and myself that when that day came I would indeed—report. Well, that day has come.

"I can—come down to earth, on this carefully chosen spot—before this crowd of willing listeners, to the only crowd that must act—I can come here and point out to you and to them and to all my fellow-American citi-

zens a scientific cure for all our troubles.

"It is Communism. For these United States, I mean especially for this great and successful country, at this very time, of its distress and confusion, now, when we are shocked to discover that in our dumb blindness we have hit upon machinery and methods by which we can produce so much food, shelter and clothing, that we cannot distribute our abundance at a private profit—now here, where seventeen million hungry people are creating a fierce demand for all we can produce and more—exactly for America, the American Communist Party proposes a program which meets all our social problems—all—graft, ignorance, poverty and overproduction, vice and an impending war—exactly.

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Czechoslovakian Music Featured at Stadium

Fourth from the last of the Stadium Concert series, the Czechoslovakian concert tomorrow evening, Aug. 12, is expected to bring one of the largest audiences of the season to the Lewisohn Stadium. New York has a Czechoslovakian population considerably in excess of 100,000, and many strong Czech-American societies which under the leadership of Dr. Gerald Machacek, President of the Czech-Slovak Societies of the United States, are carrying news of the concert into every Czech community, urban and suburban. In recognition of the fact that this is the first time in 22 years that an all-Czech-Slovak program has been given in the Lewisohn Stadium, the Czechoslovak Minister to the United States, Hon. Vojtěch Hurban, and Mrs. Hurban will come from Washington to attend and many other distinguished Czech-Slovaks visiting at present in the United States, including the sisters of Mrs. Thomas G. Masaryk, Alexander's first president, have been invited to be honor guests.

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**Popularize Folk
Music**

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The selections will be Smetana's "Tábor," which will be heard for the first time at the Stadium; the same composer's "The Moldau," descriptive of the river that flows through Prague; the overture to Smetana's opera, "The Bartered Bride," Dvorák's Violin Concerto in A minor, played by Mr. Balášovics, and Dvorák's symphony, "From the New World."

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PERSONAL--BUT
NOT PRIVATE

By DAVE FARRELL

Finishing the Story of
The 1919 'Black Sox'

LET'S get on with this 1919 scandal stuff. In the fifth game the Sox were blanketed for the second time in a row when Hod Eller applied the brush for a 5-0 score. The Cincinnati now needed but one game to win the series, five out of nine being the way the "classic" went that year. And the gamblers all went heavy for the next one.—BUT—Dickie Kerr won another game 5-4 in ten innings. The gamblers took it on the chin but figured on a capper with the series due to end the next day with Cicotte "working for" them.

But Cicotte crossed them up. Whether it was his pride that wouldn't let any team beat him three times in one series, or whether he was scared to "throw" another away is hard to tell. But the knuckleball bore down all the way and won a 4-1 victory. Gamblers went broke all over the place on that one and hollered too loud.

But Lefty Williams, the control kid, the guy who was allegedly the best spot pitcher in the league took care of the next game. Acting like an advance man for a Shubert show he handed out more passes in one inning than Claude Greneker gives away in a month. And on top of that the Sox thought they were playing Shakespeare, "The Comedy of Errors." The score was 10-5. And yet bad as that game could have been won. With Nemo Lebold on second and Eddie Collins on third and none away, Buck Weaver and Hap Felsch deliberately fished for a capper with the series due to end the next day with Cicotte "working for" them.

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After the series the bellows came. Chicago was desolate; Kid Gleason sunk. Charley Comiskey took it very badly. But he proved that he merited the name "the Noble Roman." He held up the checks of the eight villains and put private dicks on their trails.

The papers were full of it. Arguments started on every street corner; barbershop beefs were as common as punctured promises in Mittel Europa. Comiskey put out a notice of a reward of "Twenty Thousand Dollars for a single clue." Among the players factionalism developed. Most of them wouldn't talk to each other. Kid Gleason never spoke to any of the suspects for the remainder of his life—what was cut short by this.

With a reward like that offered, out came the "clues," most of which were definitely phonies. But a few tips were on the square. Bit by bit a case was being built up.

The next season started. And although the Sox were split by cliques, nevertheless they were such a great team, had such remarkable talent that they were right in there fighting for the pennant every step of the way. In fact three days before the season ended, they were in the duce spot, but one game behind Cleveland. Had that club not been hacked apart they'd have been 10 games out in front.

But on that third day before the curtain fell for the 1920 pennant, Comiskey showed his colors. He sent each of his suspects, except Gandil whom he had gotten rid of after the series, a wire telling them they were through, until after the Cook County Grand Jury investigation proved them either guilty or innocent.

This took a lot of guts, but Commy had plenty. Here he was only a game behind and with three still to go, and he hustled up the greatest collection of players ever to wear the White Sox flannels, and possibly kicked the second pennant out of the window. He proved how strong his Moxy was when the other American league magnates headed by Col. Ruppert offered him "your choice of players to finish out the season"; but these he turned down. While Comiskey accepted the sympathy of his fellow owners, he didn't want their charity.

In the meantime, the Cook County Grand Jury had indicted Bill Burns, Abe Attell, Arnold Rojstein. Billy Maharg had already broken his side of the story to Jimmy Isaminger, nationally known baseball writer on the Philadelphia Inquirer.

But on September 28th, the players were hauled up to tell their story. Jackson and Cicotte made open confessions. Cicotte admitted having gotten \$10,000 and throwing two games through poor pitching and sloppy fielding. Jackson admitted having taken \$5,000 and contributing to the defeat of the Sox. Joe incidentally hit .375 and got the only home run of the series. What might he have hit had he really been "baring down"? The rest of the players admitted their guilt.

In Cicotte's confession he admitted having "Done it for the wife and kiddies," a line that soon became a stock phrase in the American language. Another

by-word came out of the disgraceful story, the line "Say it ain't true, Joe." This was put to Joe Jackson by a weeping kid who nailed Joe as he was coming out of the Grand Jury room. But unfortunately it was.

Though the prosecuting attorney tried his best to get a conviction, he never did get one. The magnates weren't interested in a court of law. The trial of the eight players in July and August of '21 was pretty much of a farce. The confessions "mysteriously disappeared" and the case fell apart.

But in the kangaroo court of baseball, the players were tried and found guilty. The eight Black Sox were banished from organized baseball for life. Three of them, Cicotte, Jackson and Weaver might have made the Cooperstown Hall of Fame. But you'll see no mention of them there. They dug their own graves and to this day they are still the Black Sox.

What happened to baseball and how it was saved from oblivion—is another story—that of Babe Ruth. It belongs in another chapter. And one day soon I'll tell that one too.

Hit Parade

BATTING					
Player & Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Diamond, Yankees	69	225	59	161	.301
Fox, Red Sox	69	225	59	161	.301
Arnowich, Phillips	94	332	51	123	.364
Jones, Athletics	108	376	84	181	.348
Mize, Cardinals	97	361	71	131	.364

HOME RUNS RUNS BATTED IN

Fox, Red Sox	30	McCormick, Reds	93
Ott, Giants	30	McGraw, Cardinals	93
Greenberg, Tigers	29	Fox, Red Sox	90
Mize, Cardinals	28	Johnson, Athletics	82
Selkirk, Yankees	18	Greenberg, Tigers	82

GRAND FESTIVAL C. F. Sunday, Aug. 12, at Howitz's Farm, Seeks Mass. Amusements, Sports, Dancing, etc. Cars leave rear of Post Office 11 A.M.

Philadelphia, Pa.

SUMMER FESTIVAL and Community Party Election Rally—Belmont Mansion, Fairmount Park, Friday, Aug. 11, 8 P.M. Merle Hirsh Dance Orchestra, in charge to Johnny Goodman's Orchestra.

CARNIVAL, DANCE, Saturday, Aug. 11, 12-42nd and Leidy Ave. Dancing, Movies, Refreshments. Jitterfish Jamboree, 24th Ward, Belvoir Housing Committee.

SPANISH REFUGEES need clothing, medical supplies, pencils, writing paper, pens, ordinary necessities. We are therefore asking you to contribute to our clothing campaign by bringing us whatever you can. . . . Bring the British your things, 305 South 11th St., possible. If you can't bring them, call us and we will send to your home for them. Refugee Relief Campaign, Phila. Chapter, 222 South 16th St., Pen. 534.

NATURE FRIENDS CAMP, Saturday, Aug. 12, The Folks Club, Progressive Friends Club, New York, will give a Free Exhibition at Camp. Free lessons and instructions for all camp visitors on Sunday. Alice Dawson, Singing and Hikes. For Transportation information call Hancocks 6716.

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GIANTS WIN, DODGERS SPLIT, YANKS LOSE

SPORTS

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Some Facts and Figures on the Amazing Sports Life of the USSR

By Lester Rodney

SPORTS life for a people grows along with democracy, and no better proof of that is needed than the fact that the country which has worked out for itself the most solid democracy in the history of mankind, the democracy of socialism, now is leaps and bounds ahead of the rest of the world in giving sports to its people.

Here are some eye-opening figures from the Soviet Union, and remember that there was no sports heritage from the czarist regime.

Some Figures on Fields

Exclusive of the large number now under construction, there are 800 large-sized stadiums scattered throughout the union. There are 8,000 large fields with less attendance capacity than the stadiums, 4,000 soccer football fields with large stands for attendance, 500 completely equipped water sports aquacades, with twice that many being



built along the seas, lakes and rivers, 6,100 ski runs, and uncounted thousands of tennis courts and running tracks. All these are scattered throughout the cities, towns and collective farms.

No "Pros"

Sports life in the Soviet Union is different in a sense than that of the United States. There is no such thing as "pro" sports. All athletes come from the ranks of the people, and take up sports in their leisure time. Factory worker, farmer, artisan, mechanic, clerk and writer are the athletes in the Soviet Union, where the main idea is to get as many people as possible participating.

The majority of the Soviet sportsmen are members of the sports societies organized by trade unions or factories. There are sports societies of electrical workers, teachers, medical men, metallurgical workers, etc., and each has its clubs, sports grounds, tennis courts, pools. Through the societies all working people enjoy free the use of all this, plus equipment. In brief, all forms of sports are available to all the people of the USSR, without exception.

Nor is this, as some imagine,

at the cost of skilled competition and team rivalry. Oh, no.

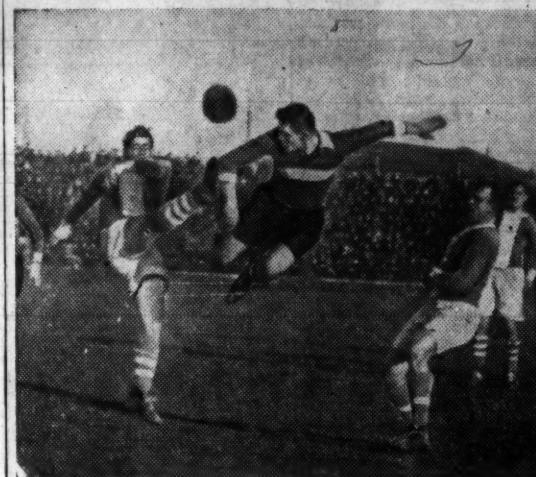
The Dynamo Stadium in Moscow, for instance, echoes frequently to the cheers of 90,000 fans. This Dynamo Stadium, by the way, is much more than just a stadium. Like most of the other booming Soviet sports field, it has provision for many things. Dynamo boasts no less than four full sized soccer fields, two tracks, outdoor and indoor tennis courts and a huge hall for gymnastics!

There are world records coming from the Soviet Union too, though records are not one of the primary ideas. Year by year times improve, records are cut and performances leap ahead. Right now Soviet athletes hold 44 world's records, of which 23 are in weight lifting, nine in shooting, nine in track and field events, two in swimming and one in ice skating.

There'll be more and more records from the Soviet Union without conscious trying for them.

When the people of one sixth of the earth have won for themselves a democracy that gives all a chance to learn and develop to the best of his capabilities, watch for all previous achievements in the world of sports to be bettered. It can't miss.

A tremendous amount of



equipment is also necessarily needed. A few figures: in 1938, 1,400,000 pairs of skis, a like number of ski boots, 34,500,000 summer sports outfits, and 34,500 pieces of heavy gymnastic equipment (parallel bars, horses, etc.) were produced in the Soviet Union.

The state budget alone has allotted 700 million rubles for the development of physical culture this year, and as much is spent by the trade unions, industrial and farm cooperatives and other organizations.

All Sports, Including Baseball

Sports are varied, with almost everything you can think of, including for the first time this summer the real introduction of American baseball. Soccer football is the most popular single sport, with tennis, water sports and winter sports growing faster all the time. Last year too there were 39 major boxing tournaments, attracting hundreds of thousands of spectators. Special all union competitions are in all sports conducted by trade unions, collective farms, schools, universities, the Red Army, between cities and individual republics, open to all. It's too vast to adequately grasp within the bounds of an article like this.

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Major League Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team W. L. Pct.

NEW YORK 70 32 .684

Boston 64 37 .634

Chicago 55 48 .544

Cleveland 54 47 .535

Detroit 54 49 .534

Washington 47 58 .442

Philadelphia 56 67 .530

St. Louis 29 71 .296

GAMES TODAY

Yanks at Philadelphia

Washington at Boston (2)

St. Louis at Detroit (2)

(Other clubs not scheduled)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team W. L. Pct.

Cincinnati 65 36 .644

St. Louis 56 42 .511

Chicago 55 49 .529

New York 51 48 .515

Pittsburgh 49 47 .510

BROOKLYN 50 50 .500

Boston 43 57 .430

Philadelphia 28 68 .292

GAMES TODAY

Philadelphia at Polo Grounds

Pittsburgh at Chicago

Cincinnati at St. Louis

(Other clubs not scheduled)

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team W. L. Pct.

NEW YORK 70 32 .684

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Chicago 55 48 .544